UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN RE: JOHN MICHAEL PATRICK DEBTOR CASE NO. 09-03107-8-ATS CHAPTER 13

OBJECTION TO CLAIM

Now comes the debtor by and through counsel and objects to Chapter 13 Trustee claim # 1 [Court claim # 4] filed by Jerri N. Patrick in the amount of \$35,475.95 and shows as follows:

- 1. The debtor filed chapter 13 on April 17, 2009.
- 2. On or about May 21, 2009. Jerri N. Patrick filed a proof of claim claiming indebtedness of \$35,475.92 and priority treatement pursuant to 11 USC 507(a)(1). (See attached exhibit A).
- 3. The claim of Jerri N. Patrick is not entitled to priority treatment pursuant to 11 USC 507(a)(1) and should be reclassified as a general unsecured claim. The claim relates to division of assets and debts rather than support.

WHEREFORE, debtor prays that said claim of Jerri N. Patrick be reclassified as a general unsecured claim and that he have such other and farther relief as it just.

Dated: 5/27/09

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B10 (Official Form 10) (12/08) 7-8-ATS Claim 4-1 Filed 05/21/09 De Page 1 of United States Bankruptcy Court - Eastern District of North Carolina PROOF OF CLAIM Case Number: Name of Debtor: 09-03107-8-ATS John Michael Patrick NOTE: This form should not be used to make a claim for an administrative expense arising after the commencement of the case. A request for payment of an administrative expense may be filed pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 503. ☐ Check this box to indicate that this Name of Creditor (The person or other entity to whom the debtor owes money or property): claim amends a previously filed claim. Jerri N. Patrick Name and address where notices should be sent: Jerri N. Patrick Court Claim Number: ____ c/o Jeffrey M. Davis (If known) PO Box 20570 Greensboro, NC 27420 Filed on: _ Telephone number: 336-273-1600 Name and address where payment should be sent (if different from above): ☐ Check this box if you are aware that anyone else has filed a proof of Jerri N. Patrick claim relating to your claim. PO Box 40 Attach copy of statement giving Marionville, MO 65705 particulars. ☐ Check this box if you are the debtor or trustee in this case. Telephone number: 5. Amount of Claim Entitled to Priority 1. Amount of Claim as of Date Case Filed: \$35,475,92 under 11 U.S.C. §507(a). If any portion of your claim falls in one If all or part of your claim is secured, complete item 4 below; however, if all of your claim is unsecured, do not of the following categories, check complete item 4. the box and state the amount. If all or part of your claim is entitled to priority, complete item 5. Specify the priority of the claim. ■ Check this box if claim includes interest or other charges in addition to the principal amount of claim. Domestic support obligations under Attach itemized statement of interest or charges. 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(1)(A) or (a)(1)(B) Wages, salaries, or commissions (up to \$10,950*) earned within 180 days 2. Basis for Claim: before filing of the bankruptcy petition (See instruction #2 on reverse side.) or cessation of the debtor's business, whichever is earlier - 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(4). 3. Last four digits of any number by which creditor identifies debtor: Contributions to an employee benefit 3a. Debtor may have scheduled account as:_ plan - 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(5). (See instruction #3a on reverse side.) Up to \$2,425* of deposits toward purchase, lease, or rental of property or 4. Secured Claim (See instruction #4 on reverse side.) services for personal, family, or household use - 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(7). Check the appropriate box if your claim is secured by a lien on property or a right of setoff and provide the requested information. Taxes or penalties owed to governmental units - 11 U.S.C. Real Estate ☐ Motor Vehicle ☐ Other Nature of property or right of setoff: § 507(a)(8). Describe: ☐ Other - Specify applicable paragraph _ Annual Interest Rate_ of 11 U.S.C. § 507(a)(_____ Amount entitled to priority: Amount of arrearage and other charges as of time case filed included in secured claim, __ Basis for perfection: __ \$ 35,475.92 _ Amount Unsecured: \$ Amount of Secured Claim; \$ * Amounts are subject to adjustment on 4/1/10 and every 3 years thereafter with respect to cases commenced on or after the date of adjustment. 6. Credits: The amount of all payments on this claim has been credited for the purpose of making this proof of claim. 7. Documents: Attach redacted copies of any documents that support the claim, such as promissory notes, purchase orders, invoices, itemized statements or running accounts, contracts, judgments, mortgages, and security agreements. You may also attach a summary. Attach redacted copies of decuments providing evidence of FOR COURT USE ONLY perfection of a security interest. You may also attach a summary. (See instruction 7 and definition of "reducted" on reverse side.) DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS, ATTACHED DOCUMENTS MAY BE DESTROYED AFTER SCANNING. If the documents are not available, please explain: Signature: The person filing this claim must sign it. Sign and print name and Date: title, if any, of the creditor or other person authorized to file this claim and state address and telephone number if different from the notice address above. Attach

Jenniter F. Adams Penalty for presenting fredudulent claim: Fine of up to \$500,000 or imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152 and 3571.

copy of power of attorney, if any.

May 21, 2009

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CLERK'S CERTIFIC ²³ TE OF TRUE COPY
STATE OF MISSOURI) 104DR5640) ss COUNTY OF GREENE)
I, Steve Helms, Clerk of the Circuit Court Divisions within and for the County and
State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a full, true and complete copy of
Judgment and Decree Modifying Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage: as requested by the at
Petitioner.
In the case wherein Jerri N. Patrick, Petitioner,
and John M. Patrick, Respondent as fully as the same appears of record in my office.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Clerk of the Circuit Court
Divisions and affixed the official seal hereto. Done at my office in the city of Springfield, Missouri, this
the 23 rd day of February, 2009.
Steve Helms Clerk of Circuit Court Divisions Seal
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IN THE CIRCUIT COLIRT OF GREENE COLINTY MISSOLIRI

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In Re: The Marriage of:)
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JERRI N. PATRICK,	
Petitioner.)
vs.) Case No. 104DR5640
JOHN M. PATRICK,)
Respondent.)

JUDGMENT AND DECREE MODIFYING JUDGMENT AND DECREE OF DISSOULTION OF MARRIAGE

On the 4th day of December, 2006, comes the Petitioner, Jerri N. Patrick, in person and by her attorney, John S. Pratt, the minor child by Guardian Ad Litem, Paul R. Shackelford and the Respondent, John M. Patrick, appears not. The Court, having heard the evidence and having been fully apprised of the circumstances herein concerning custody, visitation and support, makes the following findings and enters the following orders.

The Court finds that Petitioner's social security number is 512-94-4162 and that Respondent's social security number is 475-02-3863. Petitioner resides at 4791 W. University Ave., Springfield, Missouri, and Respondent last known residence was 1306 W. Parkview, Ozark, Missouri. Petitioner is employed at Fosschuck Incorporated, 3512 National Ave., Springfield, Missouri, and Respondent's employment is unknown.

The Court finds that on December 2, 2005, the original Judgment and Decree of Dissolution was entered by the Circuit Court of Greene County, Missouri dissolving the marriage of the parties; in connection therewith, there was one child born of the marriage, Cody Michael Patrick, born

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March 15, 2001, Social Security Number 498-17-0318.

On January 31, 2006, Petitioner filed a Petition for Modification, wherein Petitioner sought a change in custody.

On February 24, 2006, Respondent filed a Counter Motion for Modification of Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage, wherein Respondent sought a change of custody, visitation and support.

On August 23, 2006, Respondent was found in contempt of the Court's Judgment dated December 2, 2005.

On October 17, 2006, a Warrant of Commitment for Respondent was issued by the Greene County Circuit Court.

The issues raised in Respondent's Counter Motion for Modification of Judgment are found against Respondent. The issues raised in Petitioner's Petition for Modification are found in favor of Petitioner. The Court dismisses Respondent's Counter Motion for Modification of Judgment because Respondent fails to appear, fails to present evidence, failed to pay child support, has failed to pay the money judgment to Petitioner and has failed to pay the Guardian ad Litem fees awarded.

The Court finds that a substantial and continuing change of circumstances has occurred since the original Judgment and Decree of Dissolution was entered. The Court finds that modification is in the best interest of the minor child and that to award Respondent any visitation or contact of any kind with the minor child will endanger the minor child's physical health or impair his emotional development. The Court finds that it is in the best interest of the minor child that custody, visitation, and support be modified as set forth in the attached Amended Parenting Plan.

The Court finds that the Amended Parenting Plan, marked as Exhibit 1, is in the best interests of the minor child, and specifically approves the Amended Parenting Plan and incorporates

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it as if fully set forth herein, and orders the parties to comply with the same.

IT IS THEREFORE, ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Petitioner shall have sole legal and sole physical custody of the said minor child. Respondent shall have no contact or visitation of any kind. Respondent shall not be entitled to any school, medical, dental or health related records of the minor child.

In making this decision, this Court has considered the provisions of §452.375 as follows:

- 5. Prior to awarding the appropriate custody arrangement in the best interest of the child, the court shall consider each of the following as follows:
- (1) "Custody" means joint legal custody, sole legal custody, joint physical custody or sole physical custody or any combination thereof;
- (2) "Joint legal custody" means that the parents share the decision-making rights, responsibilities, and authority relating to the health, education and welfare of the child, and, unless allocated, apportioned, or decreed, the parents shall confer with one another in the exercise of decision-making rights, responsibilities, and authority;
- (3) "Joint physical custody" means an order awarding each of the parents significant, but not necessarily equal, periods of time during which a child resides with or is under the care and supervision of each of the parents. Joint physical custody shall be shared by the parents in such a way as to assure the child of frequent, continuing and meaningful contact with both parents;
- (4) "Third-party custody" means a third party designated as a legal and physical custodian pursuant to subdivision (5) of subsection 5 of this section.
- 2. The Court shall determine custody in accordance with the best interest of the child. The court shall consider all relevant factors including:
- (1) The wishes of the child's parents as to custody and the proposed parenting plan submitted by both parties;
- (2) The needs of the child for a frequent, continuing and meaningful relationship with both parents and the ability and willingness of parents to actively perform their functions as mother and father for the needs of the child;
- (3) The interaction and interrelationship of the child with parents, siblings, and any other person who may significantly affect the child's best interests;
- (4) Which parent is more likely to allow the child frequent, continuing and meaningful contact with the other parent;

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- (5) The child's adjustment to the child's home, school, and community;
- (6) The mental and physical health of all individuals involved, including any history of abuse of any individuals involved. If the court finds that a pattern of domestic violence has occurred, and, if the court also finds that awarding custody to the abusive parent is in the best interest of the child, then the court shall enter written findings of fact and conclusions of law. Custody and visitation rights shall be ordered in a manner that best protects the child and any other child or children for whom the parent has custodial or visitation rights, and the parent or other family or household member who is the victim of domestic violence from any further harm;
- (7) The intention of either parent to relocate the principal residence of the child; and
- (8) The wishes of a child as to the child's custodian.

With regard to the determination to award Petitioner sole legal and sole physical custody and for the order finding that Respondent shall have no visitation and no contact with the minor child the Court finds as follows:

- (a) The Respondent has made multiple threats to kill Petitioner and her attorney;
- (b) The Respondent has acted in a bizarre and threatening manner toward the Petitioner;
- (c) That on two occasions, Respondent failed to pick up the minor child as agreed to by the parties and left the minor child at school without transportation or anyway to go home, thereby causing the school authorities to call Petitioner at work to make arrangements for her to pick up the minor child;
- (d) The Respondent has verbally abused the minor child, yelled at him, threatened him, and brought him back from visitation within minutes of picking him up for visitation, thereby causing the minor child great emotional turmoil, causing him to cry, be upset and be unable to sleep;
- (e) That Respondent has said stressful, harmful, obscene and degrading things to Cody and to the Petitioner in the presence of Cody, including calling Petitioner a "cunt",

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- "bitch" and "trailer trash" in the presence of Cody;
- (f) The Respondent has encouraged Cody to drink beer;
- (g) That the Respondent has significant anger management problems which he has failed to address or otherwise control;
- (h) That the Respondent was found in contempt of the Court's orders on August 23, 2006, regarding payment of monies due to Petitioner and a Warrant of Commitment was issued by the Family Court Judge of Greene County on October 17, 2006;
- (i) That Respondent is no longer employed at a location known to Petitioner;
- (j) That Respondent has moved from locations known to Petitioner and refuses to divulge his new residence or address to Petitioner;
- (k) That Petitioner reasonably believes the Respondent intends to kidnap and conceal the minor child from her and the Court finds such belief to be reasonable and based on credible evidence;
- (I) The Court finds Respondent has shown a complete indifference to the Orders of this Court in that he has continually and willfully disobeyed the orders of this Court with regard to promptly attending the "Co-Parenting without Conflict" Course ordered by the Court on March 2, 2006, with regard to the payment of Guardian ad Litem fees dated October 17, 2006 and with regard to the regular payment of monies due to Petitioner as set forth in the Judgment of Contempt dated August 23, 2006.
- (m) The parties are unable to effectively communicate regarding the minor child because of Respondents threats to Petitioner and those matters set forth above.

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CONCULSION

The Court Orders, Adjudges, and Decrees that because of the foregoing the Court finds pursuant to RSMo. 452.400, that to award Respondent visitation would endanger the child's physical health or impair his emotional development the sheriff or other law enforcement officer shall enforce the parties' custody and visitation rights set forth herein and in the Parenting Plan.

The Court finds that the presumed correct child support amount as calculated by the Petitioner pursuant to section 452.340.8, RSMo 1994, Supreme Court Rule 88.01, and Civil Procedure Form No. 14 is \$874.00 per month; and, that after consideration of all relevant factors pursuant to section 452.340.8 and Rule 88.01, is not rebutted as being unjust or inappropriate; and that after consideration of all relevant factors pursuant to section 452.340.1, RSMo. 1994, and Rule 88.01, the reasonable and necessary child support amount is \$874.00 per month.

The Court orders that child support shall be modified so that Respondent shall pay the sum of \$874.00 per month as and for child support for the said minor child, with the first payment to be due on the first day of January, 2007, and on the same date of each and every month thereafter. Support payments shall be paid to the Family Support Payment Center, P.O. Box 109002, Jefferson City, Missouri 65110-9002, as trustee.

Absent exigent circumstances as determined by a court with jurisdiction, you, as a party to this action, are ordered to notify, in writing by certified mail, return receipt requested, and at least sixty days prior to the proposed relocation, each party to this action or any proposed relocation of the principal residence of the child, including the following information:

- (a) The intended new residence, including the specific address and mailing address, if known, and if not known, the city;
- (b) The home telephone number of the new residence, if known;

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- (c) The date of the intended move or proposed relocation
- (d) A brief statement of the specific reason for the proposed relocation of the child and;
- (e) A proposal for a revised schedule of custody or visitation with the child.

The obligation to provide this information to each party continues as long either or any other party by virtue of this order is entitled to custody of a child covered by this order. Failure to obey the order of this court regarding the proposed relocation may result in further litigation to enforce such order, including contempt of court. In addition, your failure to notify a party of a relocation of the child may be considered in a proceeding to modify custody or visitation with the child. Reasonable costs and attorney fees may be assessed against you if you fail to give the required notice.

The Court has considered RSMo. 452.377 regarding "relocation of children" and finds that exceptional circumstances exist which cause this Court to waive the notice requirement set forth above so as to protect the health or safety of the minor child and the Petitioner. Therefore, Petitioner shall not be required to comply with the relocation provisions of RSMo.452.377 on any relocation made with the minor child.

It is the Court's Order that prior to consideration of any future modification filed by Respondent, that Respondent undergo a full psychological evaluation, an alcohol and drug test, assessment and counseling, and an anger management assessment and counseling.

The Court finds the evidence reveals physical danger to Petitioner from Respondent, a pattern of domestic abuse and credible threats by Respondent of physical violence to Petitioner and her attorney. The Court further finds the behavior of Respondent is bizarre and unpredictable that Respondent has no concern for the words he has directed toward Petitioner in the presence of the minor child.

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In order for each child to remain eligible to receive child support, Missouri Statute Section 452.340 RSMo. requires that the parent ordered to pay child support be provided that certain information as set forth in said statute. A copy of section 452.340 RSMo. is attached.

IT IS ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that these orders are effective as of this date and that each and every other provision of the original Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage, not specifically addressed herein, shall remain in full force and effect.

Petitioner is awarded her attorney fees and the Court enters Judgment in favor of Petitioner and against Respondent in the amount of \$6,188.99.

Guardian ad Litem, Paul Shackleford, shall be awarded \$500.00 as and for fees, to be paid from County funds.

Respondent shall pay the court costs.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Having considered all of the above in addition to all other relevant evidence, the Court recommends that the Judgment and Decree of Modification of Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage be entered as set forth below.

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Commissioner Winston G. Davis

JUDGMENT

The above Judgment and Decree of Modification of Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage is hereby adopted and is entered as the final Judgment of this Court this date.

12.14-06 Date

Greene County Creuit Court Judge

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CLERK'S C	ERTIFICATE OF TRUE	COPY

STATE OF MISSOURI)	104DR5640
) ss	
COUNTY OF GREENE)	

I, Steve Helms, Clerk of the Circuit Court Divisions within and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a full, true and complete copy of Warrant and Order of Commitment :as requested by the at Petitioner.

In the case wherein Jerri N. Patrick, Petitioner,

and John M. Patrick, Respondent as fully as the same appears of record in my office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Clerk of the Circuit Court

Divisions and affixed the official seal hereto.

Done at my office in the city of Springfield, Missouri, this the 23rd day of February, 2009.

Steve Helms Clerk of Circuit Court Divisions

Seal

By Chey Knolher D.C.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI FAMILY COURT DIVISION

In Re: The Marriage of:)
JERRI N. PATRICK and)
JOHN M. PATRICK	Ć
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JERRI N. PATRICK,)
SSN: 512-94-4162)
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Petitioner.)
)
Vs.) Case No. 104DR5640
)
JOHN M. PATRICK,)
SSN: 475-02-3863)
)
Respondent.)

WARRANT AND ORDER OF COMMITMENT

TO: THE SHERIFF OF GREENE COUNTY, MISSOURI:

NOW, THEREFORE, in obedience to the Judgment of Civil Contempt made and entered on August 22, 2006 after a Show Cause Order was issued in this cause and after a full hearing and considering the motion, affidavit, Show Cause Order and evidence presented, the Court found the Respondent John M. Patrick was ORDERED to pay Petitioner Jeri N. Patrick the sum of \$26,278.18 within 15 days after August 22, 2006, by a prior Judgment and Order of this Court entered on December 2, 2005 and that said Order remains in full force to this date, and that Respondent had notice and knowledge of said Court Order, that he has not complied as ORDERED by the Court.

The Court further found that Respondent has presented no facts that should excuse his non-compliance or prove an inability to comply with said Order to Show Cause, and that he has willfully, intentionally, and contumaciously disobeyed this Court

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Order. Respondent is in civil contempt of the Court Order rendered on December 2, 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, you are commanded to take into your custody Respondent, John M. Patrick, and commit him to the Greene County Jail and confine him, and there he is to remain until he purges himself of the contempt herein found by paying to Petitioner, Jeri N. Patrick, the amount of \$26,278.18.

SO ORDERED

DATE

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STATE OF MISSOURI)	104DR5640
) ss	
COUNTY OF GREENE)	

I, Steve Helms, Clerk of the Circuit Court Divisions within and for the County and
State aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a full, true and complete copy of
Findings and Recommendations of Family Court Commissioner Relating to Judgment of Contempt Against
Respondent as requested by the at Petitioner.

In the case wherein Jerri N. Patrick, Petitioner,

and John M. Patrick, Respondent as fully as the same appears of record in my office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand as Clerk of the Circuit Court

Divisions and affixed the official seal hereto.

Done at my office in the city of Springfield, Missouri, this the 23rd day of February, 2009.

Steve Helms Clerk of Circuit Court Divisions

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In Re: The Marriage of:)
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Petitioner.	· ·
vs.) Case No. 104DR56
JOHN M. PATRICK,	΄ AUG 2 3 2006
Respondent.)
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FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF FAMILY COURT COMMISSIONER RELATING TO JUDGMENT OF CONTEMPT AGAINST RESPONDENT

On July 31, 2006, this matter came before this Court for hearing on the Petitioner's Motion to Enforce Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage and Motion for Contempt. Petitioner appeared in person and with attorney, John S. Pratt. Respondent appeared in person with attorney, Steven S. Meier. The Family Access Motion scheduled for this date is continued because the Guardian ad Litem was not notified. Trial was held and evidence received. The Court took said matters under advisement. The Court, having reviewed and considered the evidence presented on behalf of the parties, now enters the following findings:

FINDINGS

- The Commissioner takes judicial notice of the entire file including the Judgment and Decree
 of Dissolution entered on December 2, 2005, and Marital Settlement Agreement and Parenting Plan
 incorporated and made part of the Judgment.
- 2. The Court entered a Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage in the above matter on December 2, 2005.

- That the Parenting Plan is incorporated in the Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage.
- That pursuant to the Parenting Plan Respondent (Father) was to pay one hundred percent
 (100%) of all health related expenses incurred on behalf of the minor child.
- 5. That Petitioner has submitted her request to Respondent for reimbursement of such health expense incurred by the minor child, presently in the amount of five hundred ninety-six dollars and forty-five cents (\$596.45). See Petitioner's Exhibit 3
- That Respondent has refused to reimburse Petitioner for the medical expenses of the minor child.
- 7. That pursuant to the Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage, Respondent was to pay Petitioner the sum of \$9,000.00 and \$27,456.65, plus interest charges made by credit card and financial companies and attorney fees as assessed by the credit card companies or their assignees. This was to be paid within sixty (60) days of entry of the Judgment.
- 8. That Respondent has paid Petitioner a total of \$15,000.00 against the amount referenced in the preceding paragraph.
- 9. Petitioner's Exhibit 4 reflects credit card interest charges in the amount of \$925.08. These interest charges are through June 26, 2006 on the Bank One/Chase account and July 13, 2006 on the Bank of America/Citi account.
- 10. Another issue pertains to unpaid medical expenses. The Court finds the Respondent has been on notice of the amount and the reason for the expenditures for medical, dental, and optical expenses for the parties' son, Cody. Respondent did not deny he had been given notice of the amount and the services provided. Respondent claimed he does not have the ability to pay and admitted he had not paid them after demand had been made. The Court finds Respondent has not paid the amounts so due, is capable of paying such amount, and is in contempt with that part of the Court's Judgment.

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- 11. In the Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage Petitioner was awarded certain personal property, particularly a Honda 4-Wheeler and a camcorder. Since the Judgment of December 2005, the Respondent has not made available both items of property to the Petitioner. Respondent does not deny that he has not made the property available to Petitioner and still has both items in his possession. Respondent states his reason for not delivering the items to the Petitioner was that an Order of Protection had been entered against him not to enter onto her property. Respondent's reason is not meritorious. The Court will not expend time and space to list the many ways that this transfer of property could have been accomplished in a timely fashion and, indeed, within a seven (7) months time period.
- 12. That Respondent has refused to pay Petitioner the remaining monies due under the Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage.
- 13. The Court finds that Respondent did not deny that the Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage had not been complied with and that he was aware of the Judgment.
- 14. The Court finds that although Respondent claims he is unable to pay the Judgment, Respondent is able to pay the monies he owes to Petitioner, but has refused to do so.
- 15. The Court finds that Respondent was earning \$60,000.00 from his employer MPI, Inc. at the time of the entry of the Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage.
- 16. The Court finds that Respondent had received an increase in salary from his employer in the amount of \$15,000.00 and now earns \$75,000.00 per year.
- 17. Petitioner's Exhibit 16 from Respondent's employer indicates that Respondent received or is eligible to receive a bonus of \$68,838.34 on MPI, Inc. profits for 2005. The Court notes that this bonus money was not listed on the assets of Respondent was to receive in the Judgment dated December 2, 2005. Petitioner's Exhibit 16 also makes reference to a "loan" of \$34,028 taken by Respondent against this bonus. However, the Court finds that there was no debt listed to MPI, Inc., on the Judgment. The Court therefore concludes that this debt did not exist at the time of the date of trial on November 21,

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2005. The Court concludes that, regardless of the explanation offered by Respondent, Respondent received \$68,838 sometime after the date of the trial on November 21, 2005. Assuming Respondent to be in the 22 to 23% tax bracket, this would produce taxes due of \$15,832, thereby leaving at least \$53,000 in proceeds with which Respondent could have paid Petitioner the amount owed. Respondent offered no credible explanation as to what he has done with the loan of \$34,028, except to say that he paid Petitioner \$15,000 and paid his attorney fees. Even assuming Respondent expended \$34,028 on reasonable expenses, there would still remain another \$34,810 with which he could have paid Petitioner the balance due her per the terms of the Judgment.

- 18. Other factors that cause this Court to believe the Respondent does have the ability to pay the Judgment:
 - a. Respondent testified that he received a gift from his parents of a \$6,000.00 motorcycle. Although no clarifying details were given, the Court is of the opinion that if Respondent's parents have enough money to gift him a \$6,000.00 item that quickly depreciates \$1,000.00, because he sold the motorcycle to his female companion for \$4,000.00, that the Respondent has the ability to borrow funds from his parents who have the ability to buy such a gift for their son. Adding the \$4,000.00 to the \$68,838.34 bonus money he received also means that Respondent received \$72,838.34 sometime after the date of trial.
 - b. Respondent is still titleholder to two (2) vehicle titles that were awarded to him in the Judgment and each vehicle has a substantial loan that is in excess of the fair market value. Respondent testified that he pays \$1,300.00 per month in car payments. In reviewing Petitioner's Exhibit 16, the reality of that statement would be that one-half (1/2) of Respondent's net income goes toward the car payments. Evidence was presented that Respondent has the use of a company vehicle and indeed has utilized that vehicle to take out of town trips and he stated that he reimburses the company for that

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- usage. Since the Respondent can only drive one vehicle at a time, the Court does not find that it is necessary for Respondent to have the use of a company vehicle and two (2) other vehicles for which he is paying \$1,300.00 per month.
- c. The Court concludes these are luxuries that the Respondent can ill afford to maintain when a money judgment against him goes unpaid.
- 19. Certain patters of conduct almost universally appear when assets are being concealed to avoid attachment or garnishment. Such conduct includes the titling of assets in the names of relatives or friends as the Respondent has done in this case with his motorcycle (selling that to a female companion.) Respondent offered no details about his monthly expenses or how much of those he shared with his living companion, Sherry Baker. Respondent's travels were mysteriously paid by someone other than Respondent and the Court is without information as to who would pay for trips out of state to NASCAR events. Again, accepting the fact that the trips were gifts to Respondent, the Court determines Respondent does have access to individuals who are willing to be generous with their money and if they would be willing to give away such items of expense to Respondent for his enjoyment, the Court would speculate those acquaintances could assist him in paying off the Court's Judgment.
- 20. The Court concludes the Respondent gave no credible reason as to why he has not utilized the funds at his disposal or availed himself of those that are willing to gift thousands of dollars so as to pay this money Judgment. Further the Court has considered the monies that are available to him through his employment on a regular basis and that the bonuses that are due to him are sufficient to pay the money Judgment. The Court finds that Respondent is in contempt of the Court's Order and does have the ability to pay the Judgment as the Court entered, but had failed to do so.
- 21. The Court finds the Petitioner's Motion for Contempt has been established by appropriate proof and that the Respondent is in Contempt of the Court's Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage with regard to the delivery of the camcorder and Honda ATV.

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22. The Court finds the Respondent's actions in failing to pay Petitioner the Judgment, the health expenses, the interest charges and to deliver the camcorder and Honda ATV are willful and deliberate and contumacious in that he was ordered to pay these items and deliver said property, but refused and failed to do so.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Based upon the findings set forth above, the Court recommends that Judgment be entered as set forth below.

JUDGMENT

- (A) IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Respondent is in contempt of the Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage; and that Petitioner shall have Judgment against Respondent for the remaining money Judgment totaling \$21,456.65 plus \$925.08 for the amount of the credit card charges as reflected on Petitioner's Exhibit 4 for a total of \$22,381.73.
- (B) IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Petitioner shall have judgment against Respondent for \$596.45 the amount of the medical, dental and optical expenses reflected on Petitioner's Exhibit 3 and that Respondent is in contempt of the Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage for refusing to pay such items.
- (C) IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Respondent is in contempt of this Court's Judgment and Decree of Dissolution of Marriage in that he did not transfer the property awarded to Petitioner, specifically the Honda 4-Wheeler and a camcorder. Therefore, the Court enters Judgment in the amount of \$3,300.00 against Respondent for failing to timely deliver the property the Court awarded to the Petitioner. Judgment may execute immediately upon entry of the Judgment for Contempt.
- (D) IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that Petitioner is awarded her attorney fees and the Court enters Judgment in favor of Petitioner and against Respondent in the amount of \$3,008.75. The attorney fee Judgment shall not be part of the Purge Order.

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Respondent has fifteen (15) days from date of entry of this Judgment of Contempt to (E) purge himself of the Contempt by paying to Petitioner the amount of \$26,278.18 representing the amounts set forth in paragraph (A), (B), and (C) above. If Respondent does not purge himself of the contempt within fifteen (15) days, a Warrant and Order of Commitment shall issue, The Court shall retain jurisdiction until the contempt has been purged. IT IS SO ORDERED. FAMILY COURT COMMISSIONER NOTICE You are hereby notified: (1) of the Findings and Recommendations of the Family Court Commissioner as set forth above; (2) this matter, including all papers relative to these proceedings, together with the written Findings and Recommendations, are transmitted to the Family Court Judge; (3) you are entitled to file a Motion for Rehearing by a Judge of the Court within fifteen days after the mailing of the notice of the entry of the Judgment. **JUDGMENT** The above Findings and Recommendations are hereby adopted as transmitted and entered as the final Judgment of the Court. DATE: 8/22/06 CERTIFICATE OF MAILING I hereby certify that a copy of the Findings and Recommendations for Judgment of Dissolution and Notice of Rehearing was mailed postage prepaid this _____ day of _ 2006, to the following parties: Petitioner's attorney, John S. Pratt Respondent's attorney, Steve Meier

Clerk

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NOW COMES the affiant, Jerri N. Patrick, and after being duly sworn states the following:

Defendant.

- 1. My name is Jerri N. Patrick and I am over eighteen years of age, and am fully competent to make this Affidavit.
- 2. I am the judgment creditor and Plaintiff in the above-captioned civil action.
- 3. There are final Judgments in my favor that is wholly unsatisfied in the Circuit Court of Greene County, Missouri and the Judgment is as follows:

Principal amount of Judgment: \$\div 26,278.18 Attorneys' Fees: \$\div 9,197.74

- 4. The above listed judgments remains wholly unsatisfied.
- 5. Further, the deponent sayeth not.

This the 12 day of March, 2009.

Affight A Patrick

I certify that the following <u>person</u>(s) personally appeared before me this day, and I have seen satisfactory evidence of the affiant's identity, by a current state or federal identification

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with the affiant's photograph; the affiant acknowledging to me that he/she voluntarily signed the foregoing document for the purpose stated therein and that his/her name is Jevri N. Patvick.

Date: 3/12/2009

Official Signature of Notary)

(Official Seal)

Dorothy A. Nale

(Notary's printed or typed name), Notary Public

My commission expires:

May 5, 2009

DOROTHY A. DALE
Notary Public - Notary Seal
STATE OF MISSOURI
Greene County - Comm.#05520350
My Commission Expires May 5, 2009

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA

IN RE: JOHN MICHAEL PATRICK DEBTOR CASE NO. 09-03107-8-ATS CHAPTER 13

NOTICE OF OBJECTION TO CLAIM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the creditor/claimant named above that if no response to the Objection to Amount of Claim is filed in writing with the CLERK, U.S. BANKRUPTCY COURT, PO Box 1441, RALEIGH, NC 27602-1441, within thirty-five (35) days of the date of this objection and notice, the relief requested by the debtor herein maybe granted without hearing or further notice. Any party desiring a hearing must request a hearing in writing with the above clerk within the time herein set forth; otherwise no hearing will be conducted unless the Court, in its discretion, directs that a hearing be set. If a hearing is requested, such hearing will be conducted at a date, time, and place to be later fixed by the Court and the parties requesting such a hearing will be notified accordingly. Any party filing a response and requesting a hearing shall attend the hearing or costs may be assessed against him.

Dated: 5/27/09

/s/ Travis Sasser
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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Travis Sasser of Cary, NC, certify:

That I am, and at all times hereinafter mentioned, was, more than eighteen (18) years of age;

That on the date stated, I served copies of the Objection to Claim, postage prepaid, enclosed in an envelope which was properly addressed to the persons and entities listed below:

Chapter 13 Trustee Served Electronically

Jerri N. Patrick PO Box 40 Marionville, MO 65705

Jeffrey M. Davis, Esq. PO Box 20570 Greensboro, NC 27420

John Patrick 8178 NC Highway 751 Durham, NC 27713-6856

I certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: 5/27/09

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